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Flooding sends Minden Hills into emergency



Michael Bainbridge pulls his boat with daughters Naomi and Clementine down a flooded Anson Street from his house to catch the school bus to Haliburton on Monday morning, May 8 in Minden. So far Bainbridge said his sump pump is doing its job. The Gull River overflowed its banks, flooding residential areas since Friday. The last time the area was flooded was only four years ago. /DARREN LUM Staff

by **CHAD INGRAM and SUE TIFFIN**
Times Staff

For the second time in just more than four years, flooding of the Gull River plunged Minden Hills township into a state of emergency last weekend.

Signs of an impending flood were evident last week, with road closures and washouts. On Friday, May 5, Minden Hills closed Anson, Orde and McKnight Streets, along

with Invergordon Avenue, as the river began to cover the streets of the village.

With heavy rainfall during the weekend, Minden Hills Reeve and Haliburton County Warden Brent Devolin declared a state of emergency in Minden Hills on Saturday, May 6.

The declaration of a state of emergency means the municipality can avail itself of provincial resources, such as disaster relief funding.

During the most intense period of flooding, the river rose nearly two metres in a span of six days.

Throgs of residents and volunteers came out to assist Minden Hills staff with the tying and transport of sandbags during the weekend and in the days following. A new, automated sandbagging machine the township just purchased in March for \$35,000 and which can fill four sandbags concurrently using a foot pump system was put to the test.

"It's the best money we've ever spent," Devolin said. "It's been a godsend."

Minden resident Micheon Hutchings was on hand with her pickup truck.

"I saw it online, that's how I came here," Hutchings said. "I'm just out here to help. I live here, I have a truck that can help people. You're called to help, so I'm here to help. I just saw town and it was insane. My husband came home and took my son and I said, I'm

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Fighting the flood

Thousands of sandbags have been filled and distributed to affected residents since the swelling Gull River caused street and bridge closures. Volunteers, who worked with various personnel from the township, Hydro One and forest rangers, helped tie and transport sandbags to help the community.

/DARREN LUM Staff



Above, a truck makes its way down Anson Street. Right, Archie Stouffer Elementary School students help fill sandbags on Monday, May 8 at the S.G. Nesbitt Memorial Arena in Minden. There were close to 70 Grade 7 and 8 students, who spent several hours shoveling, tying and loading sandbags to help the community. The school was also working on fundraising for the flood relief. Since the Gull River has swelled, the Highlands community has come together to help their neighbours. Below right, a truck traverses the causeway at Schuyler's Island.

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The town of Minden looking south shows Water Street on left, meeting the bridge. At the middle left of the river is Anson Street, which has been underwater since the weekend. On the right is Orde Street. Photo courtesy of Robin Poot, WSP Canada.

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The Zoning By-law Update – Phase 1 Housekeeping, 2nd Open House, scheduled for 3:00pm at Minden Community Centre has been cancelled due to the Flood Emergency and will be rescheduled at a later date.

‘Could this have been prevented?’

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out. I gotta go help. The town needs help, I have to help. God says we have to help people.”

Graham Borgdorff of Lochlin and his sons Gideon and Isaac were also in town filling sandbags.

“We’re helping people not get water in their homes,” six-year-old Gideon told the paper.

Abby Xerri was grateful to the people who helped him protect his Quantum PassivHaus business on Peck Street.

“You know what, you just have to roll with it,” Xerri said. “The incredible thing is that there were suddenly 20 people out here this morning, who helped get this done. It was a blessed moment. We just have to stay positive and share stories of how this town pulls together. It’s incredible.”

By the end of the weekend, some 40,000 sandbags had been filled, volunteers continuing to show up. Some 47,000 had been filled by Monday.

However, not everyone was totally pleased with the township’s efforts.

Anson Street resident Michael Stinson told the paper the sandbag barrier that was erected near the boat launch at the corner of Anson and Peck Streets was not sufficient to prevent the flooding of Anson Street.

“Everyone keeps saying, could this have been prevented?” Stinson said. “I think we think on Anson Street, because the water, once it broke over that layer of sandbags, it just, within an hour or two, just flooded everybody out. That’s all they had to do. Of course they sent us a brochure on how to properly sandbag - it’s like a pyramid. But they just stacked them on top. They just flopped over. It was a young kid working for the town who did it, and we saw him look at it, but nobody from the town came. We think it was easily preventable. You always know where the water is going to come in.”

A larger sandbag barrier was later created by Hydro One crews.

On the morning of Monday, May 8, the rate at which the river was rising was beginning to ease up, and Devolin expected the Gull to crest within a few days.

“The river has not crested yet,” Devolin said during a press conference outside the township office.

“It would be expected that with what we see and what we know, with the weather forecast, that’s going to be mid-week.”

After 12 consecutive days of rising levels on the river, precipitation had stopped Monday morning, with light flurries in the air over the village.

“The good bit of news, after days of 15 and 20 and 50 centimetre rises, that the overnight rise was two centimetres,” Devolin said. “That’s the beginning of the tide turning for us.”

As of noon on Monday, levels on the Gull River through Minden were 15 centimetres lower than they were at the peak of the 2013 flood.

“But water levels are very high, at record highs, above and below us, at all reservoir lakes,” Devolin said.

Water from nearly 30 lakes that are part of the feeder system for the Trent Severn Waterway flows through the Gull River through the heart of Minden before continuing through the system.

During the weekend, heavy flows north of Minden damaged the log chute at Big Hawk Lake and Algonquin Highlands township closed the municipal wharf at Little Hawk Lake and Elvin Johnson Park at Halls Lake due to the high water levels.

Devolin has been in contact with Municipal Affairs minister Bill Mauro, as well as Premier Kathleen Wynne and indicated that delegations at the next Association of Municipalities of Ontario conference would involve discussions about funding for flood mitigation infrastructure in Minden.

“We have three levels of government, we all have something in this,” said Devolin, who was hoping to also make contact with the Prime Minister.

Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock MP Jamie Schmale was in Minden on Monday surveying the floodwaters.

Devolin said the new dam at Kennis Lake, which the federal government constructed as part of \$40 million worth of dam replacements and repairs taking place within the county, has been helpful.

“The Kennis Lake dam that went operational last February, has held back a metre of water that we didn’t have before,” he said.

Devolin told the paper there have also been discussions about the dams that will eventually replace the two at the bottom of Gull Lake, south of Minden.

“The structures that go in there are going to allow more outflow than the present ones do,” he said.

At press time, numerous roads in the village of Minden remained closed to traffic, along with the main street bridge that



Above, residents at a house on Water Street have a sense of humour as the waters rise.

Left, a driver on Anson Street required tow service after driving off the water-covered road.

Photos by Sue Tiffin



Minden resident Micheon Hutchings said she didn’t hesitate to volunteer, and offered her time as well as her truck to residents in need.

Lochlin resident Graham Borgdorff, left, brought his sons Gideon and Isaac to help fill sandbags over the weekend.



Township staff and volunteers took to the streets to unload sandbags at homes and businesses that would be affected by impending flood waters.

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The Kennis Lake dam that went operational last February has held back a metre of water that we didn’t have before.

— REEVE BRENT DEVOLIN

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traverses the river. The township remained in a state of emergency, a flood warning from the MNRF was still in effect and Devolin said that residents could expect water levels to remain high for at least a couple of weeks yet.

Minden Hills community services director Mark Coleman

asked any residents on the system who are able to do so to secure their docks and outdoor furniture, as debris is starting to come down the river.

Last year, the province rolled out new disaster assistance legislation, which replaced the Ontario Disaster Relief Assistance Program (ODRAP). Under ODRAP, communities affected by a natural disaster were made to fundraise for themselves, with the province matching raised monies up to a ratio of two-to-one. It was the only province that required disaster-stricken communities to do so.

After the Minden flood of 2013, the community raised \$780,000 towards what ended up being \$1.6 million in eligible ODRAP claims.

The new programming, including the Disaster Recovery Assistance for Ontario program, for individuals who experience property damage as a result of a natural disaster, and the Municipal Disaster Recovery Assistance program, to reimburse municipalities for eligible emergency response and repair costs, does not require community fundraising.



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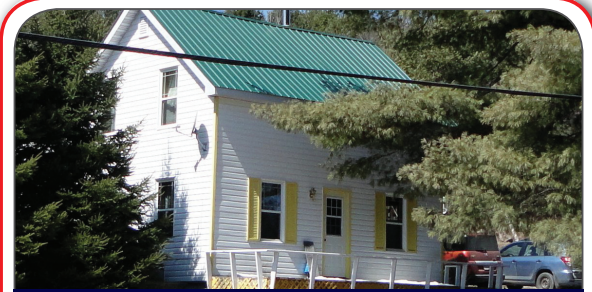
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Flooding back

A DARK WAVE of déjà vu shot through Minden last Thursday as water levels that had been steadily rising in the Gull River for days reached a critical point.

With swaths of the Riverwalk pathway submerged, the Gull began snaking its way across Invergordon Avenue to conspire with the rising wetland quietly plotting to overtake the boardwalk on the other side of the street.

North of Minden, many of the reservoir lakes of the Trent Severn Waterway sat bloated, their shores already swelled as Parks Canada held water back in an attempt to prevent a repeat of the disastrous flood of 2013.

Then the sky went thick with grey, the kind of grey that announces it's not only going to rain, but it's going to rain for days.

A familiar scenario. A perfect storm. A calamity in the making.

Friday witnessed the closure of Invergordon, Anson, Orde, McKnight and other arteries close to the river and, as water continued to pelt from the sky onto saturated ground, it was unsurprising on Saturday when Minden Hills township declared a state of emergency.

A state of emergency – which will allow the municipality access to provincial resources – was similarly declared in 2013. Thankfully, changes to Ontario's disaster relief legislation mean no community fundraising will be required this time around.

While an automatic reaction may be the pointing of proverbial fingers

at Parks Canada, its staff does its best with a complex system that funnels water from nearly 30 lakes through the narrow, shallow canal of the Gull River as it passes through the heart of Minden. There is no other exit.

However, that is not to suggest that things couldn't be done better, or that operations should not be continually reviewed, particularly when it comes to storage levels and draw-downs heading into flood season.

Another major flood so quickly on the heels of the one in 2013 has also made it clear that Minden Hills township, in concert with other levels of government, will have to do some serious work along the Gull River where it runs through the village. The once-a-century flood in Minden has always been a myth. They happen much more frequently. With two states of emergency

declared in the past four years, and with levels quite high in the spring of 2016 as well, what has unfolded in Minden during the past week is not the exception to any rule. In fact, it appears to be the new normal.

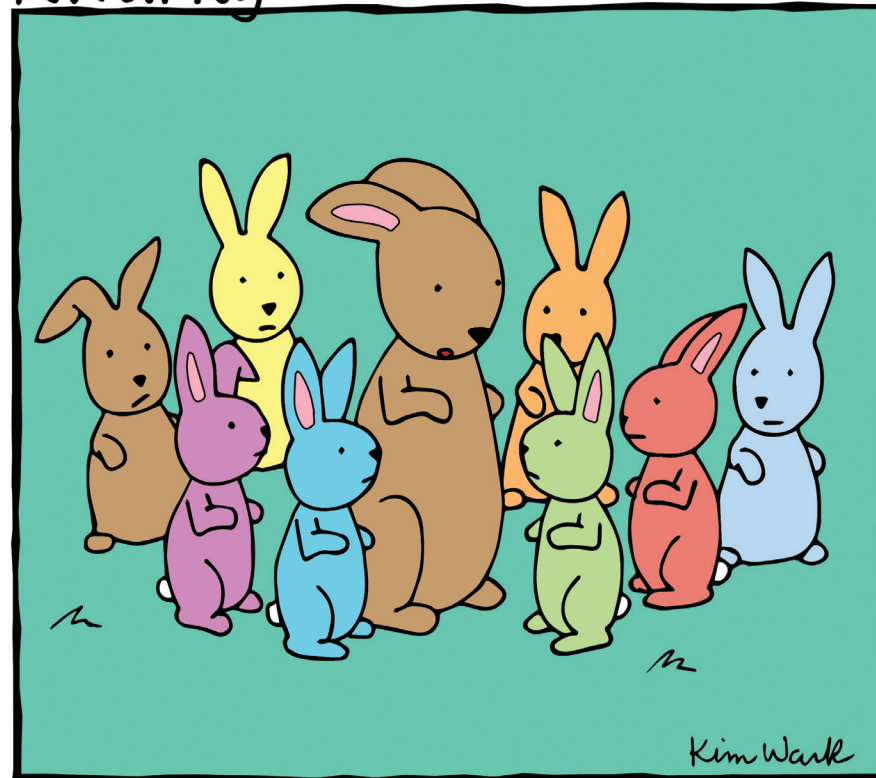
Changing weather patterns will mean more severe flooding for Minden in the springs to come. Protecting the community will require physical alterations to the Gull River; deepening/widening, higher banks, flood walls, etc.

It's been done before. The riverbanks as they exist were built up after devastating floods in the past.

It will be complicated and incredibly expensive, requiring millions of dollars. But it must be done for the safety, and, eventually, survival of the community.

**CHAD INGRAM**
Reporter

Kwarky



"Your daddy's the mailman, yours the milkman, yours the handyman, yours the delivery guy..."

What would Bob do?

I NEVER THOUGHT I'd say this, but here it goes. I'm glad Bob and I cancelled our fishing trip.

That is saying a lot because Bob is a fine person to fish with. He's gentlemanly, competent, enthusiastic, and one of those guys who just genuinely likes being in the outdoors. Basically, he's the epitome of a good outdoorsman.

When you find a fishing buddy like that, enjoy the heck out of it – for they are few and far between. And you should learn what you can from them too, if not about fishing, then at least about having the right attitude about life.

Needless to say, cancelling wasn't part of the plan.

In fact, Bob and I had planned a fly fishing trip for last Thursday. This annual day trip to Algonquin Park is something we have been doing for the last three years. We were going to bushwhack into a section of river that we had not fished together.

Unfortunately, there has been lots of rain and local rivers are fast and high, making them unsafe to wade and harder to fish. So we re-scheduled for this week when we hoped things would get back to normal.

Well, Mother Nature threw a wrench in the gears again. There was a flood in Minden where Bob lives.

I left a message with him to see how things were and Bob called me back yesterday evening. No surprise, he was his normal cheerful self. He reported the water level was threatening his house and those of his neighbours, but he also said they had done all they could with sandbags and the placement of sump pumps and were now hoping that the worst was behind and the river would recede.

Bob was incredibly grateful to all the volunteers who came to his community. He said many good people, local and from afar, had shown up and helped prepare and distribute sand bags and as a result, his house, and others in the region were much more prepared for higher water than they might have been.

And, typical of Bob, he was worried more about other people who were in more precarious situations than his.

He then said, "I'm glad you called. I was meaning to call you."

In my teenage years, that was the opening sentence of a break up call. Sadly, this was even worse – Bob declared he could not go fishing.

"I'm OK to be 15 minutes from my house, but I wouldn't feel right being farther than that until we are sure that there's nothing to worry about."

I told him that this was completely understandable and offered my help (the original purpose of my first call) because

the rest of my week looked fairly open anyhow – especially since we weren't fishing.

"That's great," he said. And then we spoke of how I might be able to help him with the removal of sandbags, as soon as the water level dropped.

"Let's hope that happens soon," I said.

That said, we began discussing more pleasant subjects such as turkey hunting and the re-scheduling of our trip for a time when the river in question would be more conducive to good fishing.

When that day comes, I'll enjoy the heck out of it. In the meantime, I look forward to helping out Bob.

As I said, you can learn a lot from a good fishing buddy.

**STEVE GALEA**
Beyond 35

IN OTHER WORDS

Columns and Letters to the Editor

The bear and the back scratcher

BACK SCRATCHERS do not have video screens, so I was surprised when my 10-year-old grandson Anderson asked me to make him a wooden back scratcher.

Kids do make odd requests so I agreed to carve a back scratcher with his name on it. My only concern, besides my dubious woodworking ability, was that when other grandchildren saw or heard of this, they too would ask for one. I could see myself trapped in a crowded workshop for months, patiently carving back scratchers.

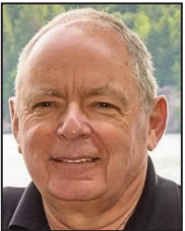
So I decided to invent a story about how I got the back scratcher; a story that would explain why it would be impossible to get another. The story went like this:

I was walking the woods at Shaman's Rock when I came across an old guy sitting outside the entrance to a cave. He had silver hair grown well below his shoulders and a silver beard that touched his belly button. The patch of face not concealed by hair was wrinkled and tanned brown by the sun.

He was carving a piece of birch branch and paid little attention to my approach.

"I've never seen you out here before," I said to him.

"There are many things out here that you do not see, nor hear," he replied, raising his head and revealing a pair of dazzling blue eyes that illuminated the darkness of his face.



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From Shaman's Rock

"So what are you carving?" I asked.

"Back scratchers. For the bears."

"Back scratchers! Bears don't use back scratchers."

Those bright blue eyes locked me in a look that said "you have much to learn and much to understand," then he told me a story.

He was walking the woods when he saw a bear rubbing his back against the rough bark of an ancient oak tree. The bear spotted him and summoned him to come and talk.

"Do me a favour old man," said the bear. "Scratch my back. The itch is driving me crazy."

The old guy knew that it was important never to upset a bear, or any of the forest animals. So he scratched the bear's back as it sighed contentedly. Scratching through that thick fur coat was tiring work.

Back at his cave the old guy realized the bear likely would come looking for him to scratch its back again. And, it would tell other bears who would line up to have their backs scratched.

Then he was struck by an idea: He would make the bear a personalized back scratcher and show it how to use it.

The bear loved the back scratcher and as word spread, other bears came to the cave to place their orders. The old guy was happy because carving back scratchers was much more enjoyable and less tiring than scratching a bear's back.

"So the bears are happy," said the old guy. "And when the bears are happy, everyone is happy."

I gave the old guy a skeptical look and was about to tell him how ridiculous I thought his story was when he stared into my eyes and said:

"When you help and respect nature and all its inhabitants, it will help and respect you."

Then the old guy simply vanished and I found myself standing in the woods with a freshly whittled and decorated back scratcher. Carved into its middle was the name Anderson.

I'm sure Anderson will enjoy his back scratcher. When the other grandkids see it and ask for their own, I'll tell them the story of the old guy and the bears and how I keep looking for him in the woods to ask him for more back scratchers.

The story might keep me off the back scratcher assembly line. Yeah, good luck with that.

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letters to the editor

Support for paddling festival

To the Editor,

I was interested in the article entitled "Reel Paddling Film Festival aims to fix the Gull" (by Jerelyn Craden) in the April 23 issue of *County Life*. It was exciting to read that this Film Festival is coming to The Highlands of Haliburton (evening of Friday, June 9, Northern Lights Pavilion). How fortunate we all are to be able to see these films. But most importantly, the festival is part of a fundraiser to "Fix-the-Gull" for paddling (from damages due to flooding, etc.). The whitewater is a treasure not because of paddling. It is a treasure regardless of paddling. Although I am not a paddler, I think it is imperative that everyone who values Minden Wild Water (historically known locally as Horseshoe Rapids) supports each other to maintain this treasure for future generations. I would like to thank Algonquin Outfitters and especially regional manager,

Chris Varga for bringing the festival here as a fundraiser. As a local resident, I encourage others to support this cause whether they paddle or not. Likewise, in turn, I expect all paddlers to value that the whitewater is also precious to others for many reasons other than just paddling. Therefore, it is my expectation that we all will want "fixes" to be/look as natural as possible. For those who can't attend the festival, I am sure the fundraisers would appreciate any support that you might be able to provide. I am one of the folks who worked hard in 2015 to Save Minden Wild Water (from becoming the site of a generation plant). I now encourage others to be part of these efforts to Fix the Gull while at the same time continuing to reinforce that Minden Whitewater is important to many non-paddling citizens.

Bernie Davis
Minden

Better access to sandbag machine

To the Editor,

Why does the township declare a State of Emergency due to the flooding at 1:30 p.m. on Saturday and then insist on removing our new \$35,000 sandbagging machine at 5:00 p.m. claiming concerns about insurance liability? Also, many volunteers were not impressed by

the reeve's short visit where he spent all of his time talking to a reporter rather than thanking any of the volunteers that had shown up to help with the sandbagging efforts. Many were left confused by both actions.

Neil Hutchings
Minden

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Far left, *People in My Life*, an acrylic portrait exhibition by Carole Finn runs at Finn's Artists' Centre in Minden until June 25. Left, Lila Sweet of Gravity Custom Catering served tasty bites at the portrait exhibition opening.

SUE TIFFIN
Staff

Portrait exhibition opening coincides with workshop

by SUE TIFFIN
Times Staff

Carole Finn has been painting portraits throughout her entire artistic career, and now she has opened her studio to share them with the public. *People in My Life*, an acrylic portrait exhibition, opened at Finn Artists' Centre on May 6.

Finn is teaching a portrait class at the centre in Minden, and said she has hung her own work so that others can "come in and have a different point of view of what a portrait is all about."

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These pictures have been put together primarily to show that portraiture has many different approaches

— ARTIST CAROLE FINN

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"These pictures have been put together primarily to show that portraiture has many different approaches," she wrote in a statement. "How do you show the love between brother and sister as they grow up, the love between man and wife, the personal dissatisfaction of your present life, the different personalities of family members? It is all here in these paintings."

Students in the class will be learning to paint intricate details to help bring realism to their portraits, like, "the corners of mouths and the little quirks that make a person a person," said Finn.

Finn speaks to her own work as it hangs in the exhibition, portraits of her late husband, Don, and her family, including her grandkids. Each portrait reflects the person's physical characteristics, but also tells a story about their mannerisms.

Lila Sweet of Gravity Custom Catering was at the opening of the portrait exhibition to cater the event, but has taken a class with Finn to help nurture her own artistic skills.

"I actually had such a positive experience," said Sweet. "Carole was really helpful and there, but not hovering."

Sweet said the classes gave her confidence to create art the way she imagines it.

"I'm nervous to draw things, especially faces and people," she said. "I'm just going to jump right in and trust Carole to get me going."

Finn's portrait workshop takes place on Tuesdays. Finn will paint a portrait alongside the artists in class so they can learn as she works.

People in My Life is open at the Finn Artists' Centre at 15 Newcastle Street in Minden until June 25 from 1 to 5 p.m. Finn can be reached at 705-457-2404.



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letters to the editor

Thank you, Minden

To the Editor,

Just wanted to drop you a note about the wonderful people of Minden and how they unselfishly pitch in when things get tough. I had the unfortunate need for sandbags today and wanted to commend all the people that volunteered to help bag sand at the Arena. The weather was awful and lots of rain was falling but everyone was smiling and doing their best to help out and all the volunteers put me to shame as to how in shape they were slugging the sandbags.

Fingers crossed that we all weather the storm.

Ken Lewis
Mountain Lake

Keep Pushing

To the Editor,

Re: Bob Lake residents on their own, by Chad Ingram, Thursday May 4, 2017.

Very unfortunate circumstances. Although property owners have used the launch for many decades, so has the township. Several owners have enhanced their properties to increase the value and now they have no access to use their boats. Municipalities have the jurisdiction to expropriate where required, such as the boat launch area. Minden Hills has set a precedent by using and maintaining this boat launch with *our tax dollars* for 30+ years. This remains a much different situation than the other 600 lakes that have no public boat launch. How does this lack of action help local businesses who can no longer launch or sell boats for Bob Lake owners or for delivery of new docks which are damaged yearly due to fluctuating lake levels and ice? All Bob Lake owners need to press town council for further action. Remember we are paying their salaries. Easy for council to back away. Is council serious about pushing upper levels of government for a resolution? Remember the federal government operates the lake levels for Parks Canada.

Anne Stephens
Bob Lake



Members' show

Marc Schroetter visited with artist Yves Ameline at the annual members show at the Agnes Jamieson Gallery on May 5. "It's an interesting show," said Schroetter. "The work is singing off the walls. He knows how to handle colour." Ameline's show runs until June 3. SUE TIFFIN Staff

Mother Nature's marathon

Mother Nature is challenging us right now. More than usual this year. Instead of rambling on about the downfalls of packaged cookies or the benefits of exercise I'm sending well wishes to those folks who are dealing with the demands of this rain.

It's difficult in times like this to maintain healthy habits. Frankly, it's absolutely OK to put the weight management strategies on the back burner. So what if you can't go for a walk or run because you're moving furniture from your basement? In the big scheme of things it really doesn't matter if you eat those doughnuts because you're feeling lousy. The sun has been MIA for what seems like forever. The important thing here is to recognize that these are extenuating circumstances. They are affecting all of us in some way. Let's indulge now in things that make us feel a little better, but know that we'll get back on track when the sun comes out again.

The best piece of advice I give as a personal train-

er, or as a friend is "don't give up." It's important to know that we can get back to the healthy habits. And it does not mean that we have to start from the beginning all over again. Our bodies don't erase everything that you've done just because you've fallen off the wagon for a bit. It's really quite amazing at how quickly they do bounce back. You will see.

Until this craziness passes, be sure to take care of the basics. Get as much rest as you can, be sure to stay hydrated, and try to eat some fruits and veggies. But really - do what makes you feel a little better so if that means cookies and milk - go for it!

My thoughts are with you. As the song goes - "The sun will come out tomorrow". I really hope that it does.

Laurie Sweig is a certified personal trainer and spinning instructor. She is one of the founders of The Point for Fitness: www.thepointforfitness.com.



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Hawks endure the cold, but lose heart-breaker

by **DARREN LUM**
Times Staff

Oh, what could have been.

The Red Hawks senior girls' soccer team easily outchanced the Spartans of Lindsay Collegiate Vocational Institute, but just couldn't capitalize on its scoring chances to win its first Kawartha high school league game in front a small home crowd on Monday, May 8 at the Gary G. Brohman Athletic Field in Haliburton.

Despite winter-like weather (yes, it snowed) where the temperature was closer to zero than to anything appropriate for shorts, the Hawks were on the attack for much of the game, pushing the pace and driving deep into the Spartans end.

Head coach Amy Klose believes her team's effort and ex-

ecution in play from the net out to its forwards was worthy of a victory.

"We controlled the ball. We controlled the game and a bad bounce at the end so it should have gone for us," she said.

Klose said the team was effective in its transition game to move the ball up to their forwards during most of the game.

Midfielders such as Hawks Rebecca Hamilton who used her speed and ball-handling abilities were a force down the right wing, moving through and around multiple defenders while teammate Jamie Little provided similar skill and execution in drawing defenders and feeding strikers such as Evelyn Woof, who came close to giving the diehard fans and her teammates something to cheer about.

Hawks player Abby Gordon continues to deal with an injury, but was in the lineup and brought her competitive fire, pouncing on loose balls and then moving the back to her forward teammates.

The close loss did not diminish the team's spirits.

They will use positive aspects from the loss to build on and will continue to improve and refine its execution of moving the ball from the defence to the attack. Most of the

shots were target at the keeper, she said, so the players will work on aiming for the corners.

Klose has been impressed by her defence, believing in them.

At the back, the team's defence of Emily Glecoff, Vivian Collings, Kailynn Sikma and Emily Klose played well. Klose has been the backbone of the defence. The defensive unit have worked well, supporting one another to cover for any breakdowns and have been imposing to attacking strikers.

With only one goal given up by the Hawks, the defence played so well rookie keeper Ali Paul, who was afflicted with the flu, faced at least half the shots when compared to the team's home and season opener. She continues to be composed in net, growing with the position by leaps and bounds.

Her lone goal allowed came from a soft shot from outside the box that was lofted over her outstretched hands, leaving little chance for a save.

The team is still looking for that next step in its evolution, the coach said.

"It's just that last piece ... the scoring," she said.



Red Hawks senior player Cassidy Glecoff, left, moves the ball against a Lindsay Collegiate Vocational Institute Spartans defender.



A Lindsay Collegiate Vocational Institute defender, left, shields the ball from an attacking Red Hawks senior player Kailynn Sikma during a Kawartha high school soccer league game on Monday, May 8 at the Gary G. Brohman Athletic Field in Haliburton. Despite outchancing and possessing the ball more than the visitors, the Red Hawks weren't able to capitalize and lost 1-nil./DARREN LUM Staff

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Red Hawks junior player Natayla Gimon, left, celebrates a goal she scored, hugging teammate Melissa Brinkos during a Kawartha high school soccer league game against the visiting LCVI Spartans on Monday, May 8 at the Gary G. Brohman Athletic Field in Haliburton. The Hawks, who are winless after two league games, were unable to keep pace with the undefeated (2-0) Spartans with its lone goal scored and lost./DARREN LUM Staff



Red Hawks junior defender Denniella Rivard clears a ball from an attacking LCVI Spartans forward Jeana Ford.



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Square foot gardens pack a big punch



Gladys Fowler came to the Minden and District Horticulture Society to talk about square foot gardening at their May 2 meeting at the Minden Hills Community Centre. From left, Mary-Jane Pilgrim, Gladys Fowler, Cynthia Gilmore and Liz Case, past president. JENN WATT Staff

by JENN WATT
Editor

When Gladys Fowler was growing up, her father grew vegetable gardens on their two-acre property. He arranged different crops in long rows, beans in one, peas in another, on and on. She remembers helping out with the garden and the hours spent doing one task over and over.

This is the concept of gardening that most of us have. However, there are other ways of growing food and it doesn't take much space or as much repetitive labour as row gardens.

Fowler came to the Minden and District Horticulture Society's May meeting to share her love of the square foot garden and the benefits it offers to those without much space or who cannot physically take pulling weeds for hours on end.

The retired teacher from Lakefield said that she learned most of her tips from Mel Bartholomew's book, *Square Foot Gardening*.

Small gardens can be just as productive as traditional ones, she said. There are fewer weeds and no tilling. Because they are so small, gardeners do each task for a shorter period of time, so it's less tedious and easier on the body. And it looks good.

Square foot gardens are planted on top of the ground. First, cardboard or paper is laid to kill off the grass and weeds below. Then a frame is set on top, much like the walls of a sandbox. It's filled with a mix of compost, peat moss and coarse vermiculite. (An alternative mix of compost, coconut coir and perlite can also be used.)

Then the space is divided up using string or bamboo sticks or any other markers and within each square foot, veggies are planted.

Fowler gave prescriptions for how many vegetables can be planted per square foot. Small plants such as radishes, carrots and onions can be planted two inches apart, making 16 per square. Beans, beets, spinach and other medium sized plants need to be three inches apart, for nine per square. Large plants like Swiss chard, kohlrabi, head lettuce and corn need to be four inches apart and extra large plants like broccoli, eggplant and tomato need the whole square to themselves.

Because the plants are so close together, they will block out the sun to the soil beneath, effectively killing off weeds.

Fowler also encouraged gardeners to try vertical gardening, erecting trellises and other supports that climbing plants can use. Beans, cucumbers, pumpkins and squash (with enough support) can grow this way.

Local master gardener Carolyn Langdon also spoke at the meeting, talking about no-till gardening.

Langdon said tilling the soil didn't do much to prepare the garden and could actually pull up weed seeds that were lying dormant below.

"Nature feeds from the top and so should we," she said.

The horticulture society brings in speakers every month for their meetings in Minden.

Their next event is their annual plant sale at the Village Green on Saturday, May 27 at 9 a.m.

Their next regular meeting is Tuesday, June 6 from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the Minden Community Centre. The guest speaker is Gail Murray, who will talk about straw bale gardening, which is a kind of container gardening. Refreshments will be in the theme of "rhubarb rhapsody." There is no charge to attend the talk. For more information, email minden@gardenontario.org.

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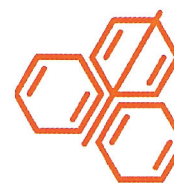


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Questions on septic re-inspection contract

by **CHAD INGRAM**
Times Staff

Algonquin Highlands township is on the verge of signing of five-year contract with WSP Canada for the re-inspection of septic systems in the municipality.

However, during a May 4 meeting, council had a few questions regarding the contract, particularly around per diem lunch costs for company employees, and the matter will come back to the council table at a subsequent meeting.

The Aurora-based WSP Canada was the sole bid the township received on a request for proposals for the project. While septic tank inspections were once the purview of health units, that responsibility has been shifted to municipalities.

At an estimated cost of \$180 plus taxes per property, the total cost for the five-year project, including HST, is just more than \$900,000.

"The proponent included a per diem rate for instances that may occur if their staff are required to stay the night or when it is unreasonable for staff to provide a home-packed meal: meals \$60/day and accommodations \$125/night," read a report from chief building official and bylaw officer Dave Rogers.

"Who determines what's reasonable for staff not being able to pack their own lunch?" asked Reeve Carol Moffatt.

"I think what you're looking at is unusual circumstances," said Rogers, adding the company had given him the impression this would not happen frequently.

"We don't want to enter into what is a million-dollar project and get nickel and dimed every day for lunch," Moffatt said.

"If I was a taxpayer, I'd be saying, am I getting my septic inspected, or am I paying for lunch?" said Councillor Lisa Barry.

All of the scheduling for inspections, which will require

property owners to be home to remove the lids from their septic tanks, will be done by the company, not the municipality.

Moffatt said she'd also like to see improvements to the draft letter that will go out to property owners.

"We need to use what's called clear language," she said.

Councillor Marlene Kyle said she'd like to see a presentation from the company before agreeing to the contract.

"Being a million-dollar project, I personally would be more comfortable to have the company come in," Kyle said.

Moffatt said the township had gone through the RFP process it undertakes for any project, and that council had already made a resolution to bring back an agreement.

"I need to see it," Kyle said.

"There's been plenty of time to ask for that," said Moffatt. "Council could have asked questions to staff at any time."

Councillor Brian Lynch, who noted he's already getting questions from the public, said he also wanted more information about the inspection process itself.

Take the hot pepper pledge

The Heat Bank Haliburton County is asking for local gardeners' help.

Each year, as a fundraiser, they cook up about 100 jars of hot sauce, which they sell to raise money for the heat bank.

"The proceeds from the sale of the hot sauce go to help families keep the heat on in the form of grants for oil, program or electricity," writes Tina Jackson, heat bank co-ordinator.

"You wouldn't believe the number of hot peppers (specifically jalapenos) we need."

Jackson hopes that local gardeners will help out by pledging to grow peppers for the cause this summer.

To register, go to heatbankhc.ca. To get in touch with Jackson, call 705-306-0565.



Beavers build unusual dam

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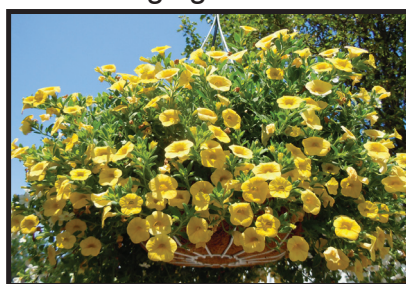
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Halls Lake recipient of HHOA surplus

by **DARREN LUM**
Times Staff

Standing with several volunteers, under a cloudy sky on the shore of Halls Lake, the Haliburton Highlands Outdoors Association (HHOA) manager Randy Charter watched with pride as the boat with Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNR) representatives ferried out 1,000 Haliburton Gold lake trout to deeper water.

Charter helped lead volunteers, which were comprised of members of the HHOA and the Halls and Hawks Lakes Property Owners Association, in an out of the ordinary effort to help with restocking the lake on Thursday afternoon, May 4 at Elvin Johnson Park, located North of Carnarvon.

“We don’t normally supply Halls [Lake] with fish because the MNR has a good sustainable population. For us to have a surplus one year and be able to bring back fish to them is awesome. It’s giving back,” he said.

He adds the HHOA has been the fortunate recipients of 26,000 fish eggs from the lake over the past two years through the MNR fish stocking program.

Charter has been with the HHOA for close to three years and a manager for more than a year.

In the wild, the success rate – when a fish grows to six to eight inches long – is just one or two per 1,000 eggs. At the hatchery, this rate is close to 65 per cent at the hatchery, he adds.

“Using those numbers, Halls Lake just got back 20 years of natural reproduction,” he said.

Right, volunteer, Mary Tozer passes off a netload of fish to the MNR to be released in cooler waters away from the shore of Halls Lake.
/Submitted by Natalie Tripp



Above, Ministry of Natural Resources personnel ferry out Haliburton Gold Lake Trout to deeper water on Halls Lake on Thursday, May 4. There were 1,000 fish added to Halls Lake.

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Food truck to return to airport

by CHAD INGRAM
Times Staff

Those passionate about poutine can rejoice as the Delightful Temptations food truck that was stationed at the Stanhope Airport last summer prepares to park at the location for the next five years.

Last year, Algonquin Highlands township entered into an agreement with the food provider for a one-year trial run at the airport during the flying season. That trial run proved successful, according to airport manger Cam Loucks.

“We did have a meeting and I think from our side of the table, it was definitely a draw to the airport,” Loucks told Algonquin Highlands councillors during a May 4 meeting.

Loucks, who said the vendor was also happy with how the season went, recommended entering into a five-year contract with Delightful Temptations, during which the vendor will pay \$80 per month from May through October to be stationed at the airport.

Deputy-reeve Liz Danielsen asked how that amount was determined.

Loucks said he’d been in touch with other airport managers about food provision and that most often, it’s about having the draw of food, rather than turning a profit.

“The general consensus was, we just want to have them there,” Loucks said. “One airport has an entire restaurant, for \$30 per month.”

Loucks said the food truck operator plans to be back at the airport later this month.

Snowmobile association puts 1,800 hours into grooming

At its annual meeting, members of the Haliburton County Snowmobile Association were told that by Dec. 1, all equipment and personnel will be ready for this coming winter. Highlights of this past season were the aquisition of a replacement state-of-the-art trail groomer, an astounding 1,840 hours of trail grooming interrupted by three ma-

jor thaws, the training of 42 young snowmobilers in safe riding practices and Trail 9 saw major improvements between Donald and Gooderham. The HCSA maintains 350 kilometres of trails in support of winter tourism. Plans are well underway for the club’s 46th season next winter.

Submitted by HCSA



Physiotherapy returns to Minden

From left, Haliburton Highlands Health Services president and CEO, Carolyn Plummer, interim clinical manager Jaime Simms, physiotherapist Amanda Lucky, board of directors Annette Richardson and Dave Bonham cut the ribbon on Tuesday, May 9 to officially re-open the physiotherapy department at the Minden hospital after it had been closed for two years. Lucky most recently worked in the physiotherapy department in Haliburton. The Minden location will be open from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays. For more information call 705-457-1392 ext. 3228. /DARREN LUM Staff



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Rotary Club recognized for commitment

The Rotary Club of Minden has received two honours for their commitment to Rotary International ideals. We were the No. 1 Club in our district of 42 clubs. As well Minden Rotary was one of only one of 2253 clubs worldwide to attain status as an 100 per cent Rotary Foundation Sustaining Member Club. As members of Minden Rotary all active members personally contributed \$100US or more to the annual fund. Also Minden Rotary was one of only 4609 clubs worldwide to become 100 per cent Foundation Giving.

The Rotary Foundation is an international philanthropic fund which supports such items as the eradication of polio, local and international grants to build water systems, equipment for eye and dental clinics and hospitals, educational opportunities including Peace Fellowships, disaster relief, wheelchair distributions and school builds. This foundation has recently been given the highest rating by "Charity Navigator" an independent charity watchdog and "Outstanding Foundation" for 2016 by the Association of Fundraising Professionals.

The awards received by the Minden Rotary Club would not have been possible without the dedication of all our members. We currently have 16 members but are actively looking for more members. Individuals wish to be involved with making not only our community of Minden but the world a better place. Interested prospective members can contact president Lynda Litwin at 705-286-2911 or President Elect Kay Godden at 705-286-4469.

Submitted by Kay Godden



Front row from left, Dave Bonham, Kay Godden, Jean Neville, Jeanne Anthon, Betty Mark, Sally Moore and Rick Radcliffe. Back row from left, Lynda Litwin Minden Rotary Club president, Dennis Casey, Lee MacLean and Bill Roodenburg. Photo submitted by Kay Godden

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Students entertain for a cause

Students perform "Safe and Sound," in honour of Ryan Prentice, a fellow student who is in the hospital on May 3. Money raised from the show at the high school in Haliburton goes to a charity providing books to developing countries.

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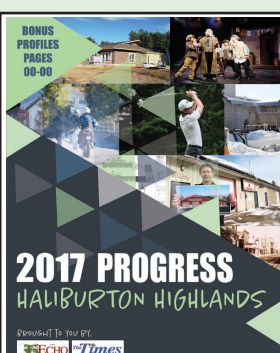
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Ducks Unlimited success celebrated in Minden

by **SUE TIFFIN**
Times Staff

A full house came out to support Ducks Unlimited at the 12th annual conservation dinner and charity auction in Minden on May 5.

Two hundred and forty tickets were sold for the event, which brought community members together for the conservation organization.

"It's a pretty great night every year," said organizer Mike Hamilton.

Guests were treated to cocktails and a social gathering before a buffet dinner.

"We're here because we believe in the mission of Ducks Unlimited," said guest Klara Oyler, who was laughing and joking alongside friend Jerry Walker while guests mingled.

Live and silent auctions included sporting equipment, artwork, and novelty items like a remote control zamboni cooler, all intended to raise funds for wetland conservation.

Although a final tally wasn't available for press time, last year's banquet in Minden raised more than \$26,000. The Minden banquet was the 10th highest-grossing chapter in Ontario, beating out events in larger areas like Ottawa and Lindsay.

"In a small town, you put 240 people in a room for conservation, and that says a lot about the community," said Kevin Townsend, manager of events and volunteer relations for the south central district of Ducks Unlimited.

Townsend presented a Volunteer Champions award to Minden for being the 2016 regional chapter of the year.

But the night wasn't all about raising money for conservation efforts. A refinished 1960s Minto cedar wood canoe bookshelf made by Brian Hamilton was auctioned off to support local teen Ryan Prentice, currently undergoing rehabilitation as he recovers from a spontaneous brain hemorrhage from an undetected venous malformation. The winning bid was \$1,500, made by Cheryl Patterson-Smith. Combined with donations from a jar, attendees at the event raised just over \$2,620 to support Prentice and his family.



Members of the Minden chapter of Ducks Unlimited received the 2016 Regional Chapter of the Year award from Kevin Townsend, manager of events and volunteer relations for the south central district of Ducks Unlimited. More than \$26,000 was raised in Minden at last year's fundraising event.



The Minden Hills chapter of Ducks Unlimited received the 2016 Regional Chapter of the Year award for their fundraising and awareness efforts.



Daniella and Maya Meraw served guests at the Ducks Unlimited annual conservation dinner and charity auction on May 5 in Minden.

Health unit readies for Cannabis Act

by **JENN WATT**
Editor

The local health unit intends to stay the course when it comes to educating youth about the risks of marijuana use.

Chronic disease and injury prevention managers from Haliburton Kawartha Pine Ridge District Health Unit met with staff from 29 other health units across the province to draft recommendations for the government's task force last August, said Denise Smith, the substance misuse prevention and harm reduction co-ordinator.

The federal government announced last month that it intends to legalize the drug no later than July of 2018, subject to parliamentary approval and Royal Assent.

Part of the rationale for legalization is to reduce organized

crime and to make buying marijuana more difficult, in the same way that tobacco regulations impose greater obstacles for buyers.

Smith said the health unit expects to see "evidence-based health promotion and protection principles" in the final bill and was "pleased to see the focus on protecting youth."

The Cannabis Act regulates the production, distribution, sale and possession of the drug and makes it legal to have small amounts of marijuana. However, it also makes it a criminal offence to sell pot to a minor.

The Canadian Medical Association released a statement April 13 that urged the government to keep health top-of-mind as they work to legalize the drug.

"For physicians, the key is how we can best mitigate the very real health risks, particularly in relation to youth," said Dr. Granger Avery, CMA president, in the release.

Smith said the health unit already does education with young people about the risks of drugs and alcohol.

"[The message is] that all substances have effects and harms and they need to educate themselves to avoid or reduce risks to their health (such as harmful effects on brain development and potential increased risk of other substance use and addiction), risk of injuries (such as injuries to themselves and others caused by impaired driving) and serious consequences of impairment (such as poor decision-making leading to problems in families, with school and contact with the law enforcement)," she said.

Focusing on improving young people's self-esteem is also part of the strategy.

The greater the person's resiliency, Smith said, the better decision making.

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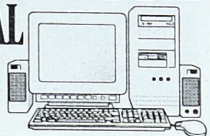
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Before saying goodbye to the summer, we thought our readers would enjoy a look back at Main Street Minden almost 50 years ago. This post card was taken in the early fifties when Highway 35 snaked through the community. The busy main street had several restaurants including the Pioneer Grill and a second under the Coca Cola sign on the right. The Hewitt Garage is identified on the right as is a drug store at the far end of the street. On the left is an Imperial gas station, a grocery and hardware store (Rogers' or Welch's?) and the still familiar veranda of the Dominion Hotel can be seen farther down the street. (Photo # 77)

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When: Wednesday, May 17. Doors open 6pm,

presenter 7pm.

Where: Lions Hall, Bobcaygeon Road, Minden.

What: Kim Emmerson presents his film made to

celebrate the Haliburton Village Sesquicentennial

Cost: no charge - everyone welcome.

For more info contact Gail 705-286-2225.

Minden Health Care Auxiliary Annual Bowl-a-thon

When: Thurs. May 18, 2017, 1 p.m.

Where: Minden Bowling Alley

Come out and have fun bowling while supporting our

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Contact Mary at (705) 455-9943 to register.

The CANADIAN FEDERATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN (CFUW)

WHEN: Thursday May 18, 2017, 7-8 pm

WHERE: Haliburton School of Art and Design,

Fleming College, Great Hall

COST: FREE (donations to the CFUW Haliburton

Highlands Scholarship Fund would however, be

welcome)

WHO: Carolyn Langdon

TOPIC: Eating on the Wild Side for Health and

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Gooderham United Church Yard Sale

When: Saturday May 20, 8:00 am - 3:00 pm

Light refreshments and Bake sale

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For pick-up or drop off call, June at 447-2838

Friends of the Haliburton County Public Library

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When: Saturday May 20, 2017 9:00 am to 3:00 pm

Where: Minden Branch Book Nook and lawn

Gently read books are for sale

Ingoldsby UCW - Pie Sale

When: Saturday May 20th, 9:00 am until sold out.

Where: Ingoldsby United Church – 1741 Ingoldsby

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When: Saturday May 20th, 10:00 am

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Flexing your mind's muscles

by JENN WATT

Editor

Keeping the mind healthy is just as important as the rest of the body, says Alzheimer Society public education co-ordinator Carolyn Hemminger, and there are tangible things that can be done to improve memory and stay sharp.

"We often hear about looking after our body, but not about our brain," says Hemminger, who is one of two speakers at an upcoming talk in Minden and Haliburton called Health Brains: How to Keep on Top of Your Mental Game.

"We look at four different areas: a healthy lifestyle, challenging our brain, being socially active and how to protect our head," she says.

Healthy food choices and reducing stress can do a lot for the performance of your brain, she said, as can making time for friends and family.

"When people become less social, it leads to isolation and can lead to health issues and depression," she says.

Hemminger has been working at the Alzheimer Society of City of Kawartha Lakes and Haliburton since 2009 and spends a good deal of her working days raising awareness

about dementia, teaching best behaviours for a healthy brain and talking with those living with Alzheimer's disease and their caregivers.

She says these kinds of talks are fun to do because they are proactive and encourage people to take a leading role in the health of their minds.

The talk is for all ages, but Hemminger says it may be of particular interest to those who have retired or are approaching retirement.

In the process of retirement, new ways of stimulating the mind often need to be found to replace the social and intellectual role work plays.

Naturopathic doctor Bryan Knappett of Red Canoe Family Naturopathic will also be speaking at the event, which is being organized by the Haliburton County Service Providers Network as one its Need to Know Series sessions.

Admission to the talk is free and there are two chances to hear Hemminger and Knappett on Wednesday, May 17. You can catch them in Haliburton at 10:30 a.m. at the Haliburton Museum or in Minden's Hyland Crest auditorium at 2:30 p.m.

RSVP to Community Support Services at 705-457-2941

There will be refreshments.



Photo contest

Attention paddling lovers: send in your best pics of canoeing or kayaking for a chance to win tickets to the Reel Paddling Film Festival in Haliburton on Friday, June 9. Send in your photos by May 24 for your chance to win. Photos will be published in County Life on June 1. In photo: Paige Zimmerman.

/ELIZABETH BATE photo



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Water levels rising on Kawagama Lake

DORSET NEWS

Lee Ross
burgesslt@me.com

With all the rain and flooding lately, Kawagama Lake is about seven inches above plan for this time of year and can be expected to rise even further if this weather keeps up. While Dorset hasn't seen quite as much flooding as surrounding towns, be prepared when heading to your cottage for the first time this season, as the water still may have caused damage in basements and other places.

The Ironman 70.3 is coming back to Muskoka this year on Sunday, July 9, and will make its usual trip through downtown Dorset as part of the bike portion of the triathlon. With the bridge rehabilitation set to be completed the end of June, it will not interfere with the race. There are many great volunteer opportunities with Ironman, and if you're interested you can visit ironman.com and search Muskoka. Roads will remain open during the race but it is asked that you please use caution when driving and stay safe. If you'd like to cheer on the athletes as they come through town the downtown core

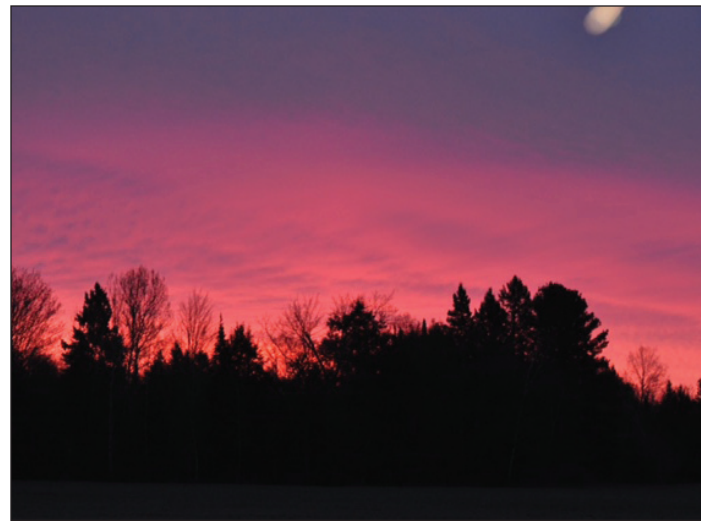
is the best place to do that!

Only two more weeks until the unofficial start to summer and there's already so much happening in Dorset over the next few months. From barbeques to yard sales, kids programs and activities and so much more, be sure to visit dorsetcanada.com regularly or Dorset, Canada on Facebook for updates on events and activities happening in and around the town.

Celebrate your dad this Father's Day by taking him on the Father's Day Beer Tasting Cruise aboard the SS Bigwin in Baysville. The event is taking place Saturday June 17 – rain or shine – and lasts 1.25 hours. Cruise times are 12p.m., 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. and include the cruise, five beer samples, one 12oz glass of beer and a complimentary tour of Lake of Bays brewery located in downtown Baysville. The cost is \$50 per person and you must be legal drinking age. Spaces are filling up so book your spot today by visiting <http://ssbigwin.com/beer-cruise/>.

Happy Mother's Day to all the mothers out there on Sunday, May 14!

Happy birthday to Bill Johnson, John Shepherd, John Thompson, Alan McMullen, Norm MacKay, Steve Woolman and Luke Lock. For submissions or birthdays please contact burgesslt@me.com.



Guenter Horst shared this photo with the Times of the sun coming up Thursday morning, May 4.

Notice



COUNTY OF HALIBURTON COMMITTEE VACANCIES

Haliburton County Planning Advisory Committee

The Haliburton County Planning Advisory Committee is seeking two (2) interested individuals to fill vacancies as a Committee member for the remainder of the term of County Council ending Nov 30, 2018.

As a Committee Member you will:

- Be a Canadian citizen, 18 years of age or older;
- Be a qualified elector in the County of Haliburton pursuant to the Municipal Act;
- Be able to demonstrate compliance with all relevant municipal by-laws;
- Have a planning background by education or experience;
- Have knowledge of rural Ontario issues;
- Understand general land use planning concepts and processes;
- Have knowledge of Haliburton Official Plans and Zoning by-laws;
- Be available to attend meetings during the day; and
- Be neither a member of a municipal council nor an employee of the County of Haliburton or any local municipality.

Note: Members are appointed to serve as individuals and shall not represent a specific interest group or agency. Members shall be chosen based on their interest, experience, availability, academic qualifications and expertise that they possess. Preference will be given to the criteria above, however applicants without the above listed technical background may also be considered. The public member appointments may be renewed once, but such member shall not serve more than 2 consecutive terms of County Council unless explicitly authorized by Council due to continuity of function related to a specific issue or planning exercise.

Any person having and interest in being appointed to the Planning Advisory Committee is invited to submit an expression of interest no later than Friday June 2, 2017, at 4 pm, detailing relevant experience and skills to the attention of:

Michael Rutter, County CAO/Clerk
County of Haliburton,
11 Newcastle Street, P.O. Box 399,
Minden, Ontario
K0M 2K0
705-286-4829 fax
mrutter@county.haliburton.on.ca

Notice



PUBLIC NOTICE

Applicant: PARISH/VANSTEENDELAAR
Lot 11, Concession 6, Boshkung Lake
Geographic Township of Stanhope

WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Algonquin Highlands has declared part of the original shore road allowance lying in front of Lot 11, Concession 6, Boshkung Lake, in the geographic Township of Stanhope, in the Township of Algonquin Highlands, County of Haliburton, to be surplus.

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Municipal Corporation of the Township of Algonquin Highlands proposes to enact a By-Law to stop-up, close and convey to the abutting property owner(s) that part of the original shore road allowance lying in front of Lot 11, Concession 6, Boshkung Lake, described as all and singular that certain parcel or tract of land and premises situate, lying and being in the Geographic Township of Stanhope, in the County of Haliburton and being composed of the following:

FIRSTLY: THAT part of the original shore road allowance in front of Lot 11, Concession 6 and in front of the original allowance for road between Lot 10, Concession 5 and Lot 11, Concession 6 (closed by municipal by-law no. 621, Instrument SA2019 and County by-law no. 482, Instrument SA2020, described as Part 1 on a Plan deposited in the Registry Office for the Registry Division of Haliburton County as Plan 19R-9979.

The proposed By-Law will come before the said Council for consideration at its regular meeting at the Stanhope Firefighters' Community Hall, 1095 North Shore Road, on **the 18th day of May, 2017** and at that time, the Council will hear in person or by his/her counsel, solicitor or agent any person who claims that his/her land will be prejudicially affected and who applies to be heard. Any person who wishes to be heard by Council regarding this proposed closure must contact the Clerk to schedule a delegation with Council.

Dated: May 11th 2017

Sean O'Callaghan B.U.R.Pl, MCIP, RPP
Planner
Township of Algonquin Highlands
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Complete details on the Promotional Broadcast Assistant's posting can be found at www.canoe.fm

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Job Type: Seasonal~ End of June until the beginning of September
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Requirements:

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- Willing to work afternoons and weekends
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Please submit your resume to Gord Darling ~ Site Manager
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Wednesday, May 31st is Dale Walker's last day as the Executive Director of the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation. After 18 years as the ED and being the driving force in raising over \$13 million for the betterment of the health care in our community, Dale is retiring but starting a new career with husband Jerry at the new Haliburton Home hardware.

In honour of Dale's great achievements at the HHHSF, we invite you to attend our Open House to wish Dale well.

There will be time to catch up with former and present colleagues, staff, volunteers and members of our two boards of directors.

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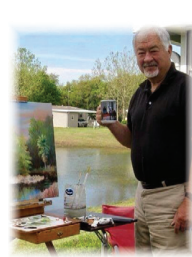
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Beloved husband of Judy and loving father of Cheri (Bruce), and Shaun (Top). Loving grandfather of Gavin (Dani), Brady (Rachel), Robby (Randi), Ben (Vic), Hannah and great grandfather of Rome. Fondly remembered by his sister Gail (Doug), brother-in-law Don (Jane) and sister-in-law Bea (Angus) and nieces and nephews Karen, Rob, Bryan, Heather, Allison, Jennifer, Rebecca, Sarah and John.

Gary was an Ontario Provincial Policeman, a water-colour artist, singer and guitar player who founded his first band "The Virtually Unknowns" at the age of 17. Gary was a great story teller, a camper who loved the outdoors and a wonderful, fun-loving husband, father, grandfather, uncle and friend.

He will be sadly missed by his family friends throughout Canada and the U.S. As an artist Gary taught water-colour for over 20 years at the Haliburton School of the Arts, he was a member of The Canadian Society of Rye and Watercolour Painters and past president of the East Central Ontario Artist Association.

A Celebration of Gary's Life will take place at the Red Umbrella Inn (off Hwy. 35 at 1075 Red Umbrella Rd., Carnarvon) on Sunday, May 28, 2017 from 2:00 pm until 5:00 pm. We hope that you can make it. If you have any memories you would like to share they would be most welcome. Please let Judy, Shaun or Cheri know if you would like to say a few words. We plan to have a brief prayer at 3 pm followed by memories of Gary. Cremation has taken place.

Memorial Donations to the Canadian Cancer Society would be appreciated by the family and can be arranged through the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd., P.O. Box 427, Minden, Ontario K0M 2K0.



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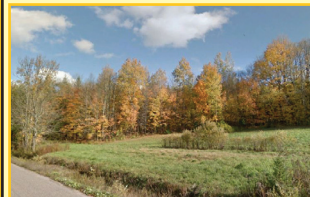
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High triple Ken Thompson 661
High triple handicap 733
Ladies

High average Chris Cote 190
High single Chris Cote 239
High single handicap June Fortune 275
High triple Chris Cote 641
High triple handicap Chris Cote 726
Friday Men
High average Claude Cote 201
High single John Whitty 264

High single handicap John Whitty 305
High triple John Whitty 651
High triple handicap John Whitty 774
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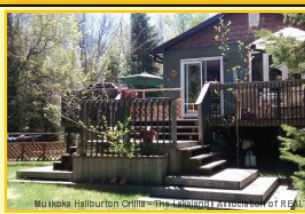
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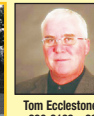
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